

Our Lady of Peace Parish

“Three Churches One Faith Community”

Bulletin Sunday March 17th 2024 –5th Sunday of Lent

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Churches & Mass Times



St. Anthony's Church

603 Union St.

Fredericton, NB

Mass Time Saturdays at 4:00 PM

Mass Times & Intentions

Tuesday March 19th 12:00 PM St. Theresa's
Jack Weatherhead

Wednesday March 20th 10:00 AM St. Anthony's
Gratitude to Guardian Angels

Thursday March 21st 12:00 PM St. Theresa's
Kristine Sherman

Friday March 22nd 10:00 AM St. Anthony's
Best wishes for Ken MCGarvey

Saturday March 23rd 4:00 PM St. Anthony's
Alice Giovannetti

Sunday March 24th 11:00 AM St. Theresa's
James Daley

Sunday March 24th 1:30 PM St. Patrick's
Mass for the People

St. Patrick's Church

31 Main St.

Stanley, NB

Mass Time Sundays at 1:30 PM

St. Theresa's Church

45 Royal Road

Fredericton, NB

Mass Time Sundays at 11:00 AM

Upcoming Events

For weekday Masses if School is cancelled
Masses will be cancelled.

Confessions ½ hour before weekend Masses

For your convenience all tax receipts that have not been picked up will be available at the **Parish Office.**

This week the Sanctuary Candle St. Theresa's Church
burns in memory of ...

+ Jack Weatherhead +

Offered by Giselle Weatherhead

Our Lady of Peace Financial Update

Mar 10, 2024		Weekly		Contributions	
Offertory	\$ 5,001	Offertory	\$ 5,001		
Capital Infrastructure	165	Budget Needs	(5,255)		
Special Collections	165	Excess (Shortfall)		\$ (254)	
Other	65	Year-to-Date			
Total Contributions	\$ 5,396	Offertory	\$ 53,083		
		Budget Needs	(52,550)		
		Excess (Shortfall)	\$ 533		

Our Lady of Peace is sustained by the generosity of our parishioners through time, talent and treasure. For all you do, THANK YOU!

Website & Social Media

www.ourladyofpeacefredericton.ca

Keep up to date on all activities, news and weather cancellations!



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Ministry Schedule March 23rd & March 24th

St. Anthony's

St. Theresa's

Hospitality	Mona & Ray McCarthy	Michele McCann, Mary Fitzpatrick, Martin Colford, Emlí Cabungal, Miguel & Andrea Yamane
Eucharistic Minister	Merla Spires	Deborah Allen & Mary Fitzpatrick
Altar Servers	Bonnie Bowlen	Al Adimalor, Miranda Alfaro, Will Horsley, Lucas Daigle & Luke McDonald
Lector	Passion Sue Inkster (N) Kelly Bowlen (J) Ken Harris	Al Adimalor & Andrea Yamane
Sacristan		Mary Fitzpatrick

Symbol for the 5th week of Lent: Oils

In cathedrals around the world, bishops bless the holy oils at the Chrism Mass celebrated on Holy Thursday. These sacramental oils are blessed: **The Oil of Catechumens, The Oil of the Sick and The Oil of the Chrism.** After the blessing, a portion of these oils is given to every parish in the Diocese.

CWL Notices

BELONGING

Do you want to grow your faith, serve your community, act on social justice issues and be supported by a sisterhood that embraces core values? If so, WELCOME to the Catholic Women's League you belong to us.

Our Lady of Peace Parish Adoration Schedule

Thursdays at 11:30 am at St. Theresa's Church before 12:00 pm Mass *

Fridays at 9:30 am at St. Anthony's Church before 10:00 am *

3rd Thursday of the month at 6:30 pm at St. Theresa's Church (1 hour) * If Mass is cancelled so is Adoration.

Lent



Parish Living Lent Outreach ~ Each week this Lent we will be supporting a local organization. Donations will be collected only the weekends indicated and will be delivered to the organizations right away..

Next week's collection (**March 23rd and 24th**) supports the Social Work Department at the Dr. Everett Chalmers Hospital. Everyday social workers meet with families struggling with the cost of travel to and from the hospital. Let's help them out by donating gift cards to gas retailers with a suggested value of \$20.00 or \$25.00.

Thank you to everyone who donated to last weekend's collection for The 12 Neighbours Community. With your donations of \$1,649.00 and a donation from the parish we were able to make a **\$3000.00** contribution to the organization. Together we can make a difference in our community!

The Story Continues! Season 2 of "The Chosen" ~ Join us Tuesday evenings during Lent at 7:00 pm in the meeting rooms at St. Theresa's Church as we watch and discuss season 2 of The Chosen. Hope to see you there!

Welcome to The Catholic Parent! ~ We invite parents to join us for the last session of "The Catholic Parent" on Monday, March 25th at 7:00 pm in the meeting rooms at St. Theresa's Church. This lighthearted series encourages moms and dads as they embrace their God-given role to form their kids in the Catholic faith.

Community Volunteer Income Tax Program – CVITP Our Lady of Peace Parish, in collaboration with the Canada Revenue Agency, is pleased to announce that a tax preparation clinic will be provided (**Free of Charge**) to prepare tax returns for individuals who have a modest income and a simple tax situation. The tax preparation service will commence **March, 2024**. Should yourself or others you know be interested in this community service please contact **Steve Linton (unavailable from Mar 19 to Apr 3rd)** for further information at 506-261-7600 or email lintons21@outlook.com.



This week we celebrate the Feast of St. Patrick "The Breastplate"

St. Patrick's prayer of faith and trust in God

"Christ be with me, Christ be within me, Christ behind me, Christ before me, Christ beside me, Christ to win me, Christ to comfort and restore me, Christ beneath me, Christ above me, Christ in quiet, Christ in danger, Christ in hearts of all that love me, Christ in mouth of friend and stranger." Amen

Celebrate the Feast of St. Patrick by learning more about the patron Saint of Ireland, Nigeria, engineers, and our parish's St. Patrick's Church. Watch *"In the Footsteps of Saint Patrick"* and *"Catholic Heros of Faith: The Story of St. Patrick"* on FORMED. ***St. Patrick pray for us.***



Our Lady of Peace Parish Triduum & Easter Mass Schedule

Holy Thursday

Thursday, March 28th

7:00 pm at St. Anthony's Church

Good Friday

Friday, March 29th

12:00 pm at St. Patrick's Church

3:00 pm at St. Theresa's Church

Easter Vigil

Saturday, March 30th

8:00 pm at St. Anthony's Church

Easter Sunday

Sunday, March 31st

8:45 am at St. Patrick's Church

11:00 am at St. Theresa's Church

Solemn Adoration after Holy Thursday Mass ~

Everyone is invited to spend some time in prayer with the Blessed Sacrament after Holy Thursday Mass on Thursday, March 28th until 10:00 pm at St. Anthony's Church. To ensure that there is always someone with the Blessed Sacrament there are sign up sheets at all churches. Please note that you are invited to stay as long as you want and more than one person can be in prayer at the same time.

Family Lent Event ~ Saturday, March 23rd from 1:00 to 3:30 pm in St. Theresa's Church Hall. Enjoy a family friendly movie about the life of Jesus and create a tabletop resurrection garden to take home. Please reserve your spot by emailing Patty at pattycameron@ourladyofpeacefredericton.ca.

Invitation to "Introduction to the Synod on Synodality" ~ In October 2023, Pope Francis opened the first session of a synod in Rome with 365 delegates from around the world in attendance. The second session will begin in October 2024. Father John Jennings is offering an introductory overview of what the synod is about and what it can mean for all members of the Catholic community on Wednesday, March 20th at 7:00 pm in the meetings at St. Theresa's Church. Everyone is encouraged and welcome to attend.

Development and Peace- Solidarity Sunday This Sunday, March 17, 2024 is Solidarity Sunday- the Sunday set aside by Development and Peace to solicit Parishioners for 'alms-giving' to the many causes of Development and Peace. On Sunday attached to your weekly bulletin will be a letter from the Bishop supporting and encouraging your support for our many worthwhile causes; and an envelope in which to donate your contribution to this worldwide mission. I wish, on behalf of all of us involved with Development and Peace, to personally. Thank all of you for your on-going support. Allison Wrynn

Our Sacred Stories-- Our Faith: In God and in Us

Our world is a fractured one in so many areas. The people of Gaza, Ukraine, Sudan, Myanmar, Yemen and many other parts of our world are facing lives disrupted by war and conflict today. In fact, the United Nations reports that conflict is on the rise in the last few years. We long for peace and an end to conflict.

This longing for peace is one of the central dreams of our faith. Repeatedly, Jesus calls upon his disciples to live together in peace. He passes on to them the gift of the Spirit that they may grow more and more to be like him and that they may have peace among them. As John describes Jesus preparing his disciples for his coming death and resurrection, he reassures them with these words: *The hour is coming, indeed it has come, when you will be scattered, each one to his home, and you will leave me alone. Yet I am not alone because the Father is with me. I have said this to you, so that in me you may have peace* (Jn.16:32). Peace lies at the center of our Christian faith and discipleship.

In Canada, the 5th Sunday of Lent has long focused on our pursuit of peace in our world. The *Canadian Organization for Development and Peace*, partners with *Caritas International*. It is our faith community's way of working to build peace around the Globe. Through assisting in local communities it promotes their economic and social development. The development of strong local communities is seen as a way to promote global peace from the ground up.

Such an approach builds a real faith that expresses the bond between God and all creation, one that rests in the heart of every human being. On this Sunday, we hear the call to recognize this bond and to stand in solidarity with all of humanity holding the same dream for peace among us all and development that supports all.

What we believe, our faith, expresses who we are. It is, in so many ways, written on our hearts. This is what we hear in the words of the prophet Jeremiah (Jer.31:31-34): *I will put my law within them, and I will write it on their hearts; and I will be their God and they shall be my people.* God loves us, all of us, all the time. God believes in us, trusts us. Can we believe in one another?

A few years ago, on Solidarity Sunday, we received a creed, expressing this universal faith relationship with God and with all peoples. It came from a Christian community in Indonesia. Their creed is our creed. Their way of living faith, trust and love is our way as well.

We believe in God, Creator of us all, who has given the earth to all people.

***We believe in Jesus Christ, who came to encourage us and to heal us,
to deliver us from oppression, to proclaim the peace of God to all humanity.***

Christ has given himself to our world, it is amongst all people that the Lord lives – the living God....

We dare to believe, always and everywhere, in a new humanity, in God's own dream of a new heaven and a new earth, where justice and peace will flourish. Amen. John Jennings 5th Sunday of Lent Solidarity Sunday

Each year the *Knights of Columbus Council 8654 (Our Lady of Peace Parish)* grants a bursary to a student who is pursuing post-secondary education and with preference given to a student who has close connections with a member / former member of our Council. This year's recipient is **Marissa Scott**. She is a first year student at UNB in the Arts program, with a speciality in Criminology and Sociology. She is the daughter of Jaymie-Leigh and Keith Scott. Marissa's grandparents are Mel McMahon (a member of the Knights of Columbus) and Anne McMahon. Congratulations Marissa.

Nerf Ambush event for Parish Youth -Friday night, March 22nd from 6:30 until approximately 8:00 the local Knights of Columbus is hosting a "Nerf Ambush" children's event. This will occur in St. Theresa's church basement and is focused on parish youth up to grade 7. There is no cost for this event but parents are asked to join us to enjoy the activity and help with the cleanup afterwards. Children are encouraged to bring their favourite Nerf gun(s). Our council will supply the nerf bullets and safety glasses for up to 25 children. Children are welcome to bring their own safety glasses if they prefer. Cameras are also suggested to help with future memories.

Meeting for Steubenville Atlantic Youth Conference ~ Sunday, March 24th at 6:00 pm at St. Theresa's Church Hall. Are you a high school youth (entering grade 9 in fall of 2024 up to 2024 graduates) looking for a unique faith experience this summer? The Steubenville Atlantic Youth Conference may be for you! At the conference teens experience three days of amazing speakers, have the opportunity for worship, get empowered to live on mission after the conference and enjoy the fellowship of hundreds of teens who share the same Catholic faith. The Conference takes place July 5th to 7th on the campus of St. Mary's University in Halifax. If you are interested in attending the conference please contact Patty at pattycameron@ourladyofpeacefredericton.ca.